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MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted]

FROM : Assistant Director for Research and Reports

SUBJECT : Allocation of Responsibility for Economic Planning

1. The study of either the organizational structure or the planning of segments of the Russian economy cannot be separated from the studies of these segments themselves; similarly, when considering the USSR or any country as a whole, the over-all structure and the over-all plan must necessarily be considered conjunctively.

2. It is my intention that every branch master the particular ministries, directorates, etc. that control its sectors of the economy and know in a general way how these relate to the over-all organization. To assist in these studies a small group in D/S (S/Org) has been established who should be experts in all the organizations of substantial importance, and should particularly concentrate on the border-lines and interrelations between them. Portions of industry studies covering organization should be coordinated in every instance with S/Org.

3. The Budget and Plans Branch of D/A should concern itself almost exclusively with actual plans on an over-all or national basis. Throughout the bloc the study of planning mechanics should be only incidental thereto and for organizational structure it should draw on the services of S/Org. In other words, comprehensive plans, annual or five-year, and annual budgets should be the primary concern of A/B. Plans for specific industries should be studied by the appropriate branch. The only organization with which A/B should concern itself is the Gosplan and its Satellite counterparts.

25X1A9a 4. If this memorandum is not sufficient to clear up the misunderstanding evidenced by the memorandum of [redacted] dated 16 October 1952, the recipients of this memorandum should confer together with this paper as a guide, and draft an appropriate directive for my signature.

/s/

ROBERT AMORY, JR.

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